

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY BRIGADE MODERNIZATION COMMAND BLDG 5800 CARTER STREET FORT BLISS, TEXAS 79916-3802

Office of the Commander

Greetings!

Welcome to Fort Bliss, Texas and the Brigade Modernization Command (BMC). Our mission is to integrate, train and evaluate adaptive and core capability solutions in support of the Army's Brigade Modernization strategy and we play a key role in providing Combatant Commanders with fully modernized Brigade Combat Teams. You and your family will be an integral part of our mission and integration functions.

Fort Bliss has undergone significant change over the past two years as the Air Defense School and Center moved to Fort Sill, OK and the post is now home to four Brigade Combat Teams of the 1<sup>St</sup> Armored Division. In addition to the BMC, we have an Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Army Evaluation Task Force (AETF) – 2/1 AD) that is right sized to conduct test and evaluation events to determine when capabilities are ready for delivery to the current force. Fort Bliss' Soldier population has tripled in size; it boasts the largest AAFES Post Exchange complex in the Army and will have a brand new hospital in 2013. It is definitely an exciting time to be at Fort Bliss as the BMC leads brigade modernization efforts!

El Paso is a city rich in history and is a tremendous Fort Bliss partner. The community is building new homes, schools and developing the infrastructure to support a much larger Army post as well as attracting new businesses that will create positive economic growth. The University of Texas, El Paso (UTEP) is a nationally recognized university and the Texas Tech Medical School recently graduated its first class of residents. The weather is superb and there are plenty of activities in the area for the entire family.

We are confident that you will find your assignment in the BMC challenging and rewarding. Please take leave to get your family settled before reporting for duty. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the G1 staff at 568-8596/8581/7606, commercial (915) 568-8596/8596/7606. I also encourage you to visit our website at <a href="https://www.bliss.army.mil/BMC/default.html">https://www.bliss.army.mil/BMC/default.html</a> or the Ft. Bliss website at <a href="https://www.bliss.army.mil/">https://www.bliss.army.mil/</a>.

Your sponsor will contact you very shortly. Please keep in touch, and let us know what we can do to assist with your transition. We look forward to welcoming you and your family to BMC, Fort Bliss, and El Paso, Texas.

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